



**USDA/CSREES**

**National Research Initiative 71.1, Improving Food Quality and Value,  
Project Directors' Meeting, June 27-28, 2008  
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, Rooms 343-345  
900 Convention Center Blvd, New Orleans, LA 70130**

**Friday, June 27, 2008**

**4:30 PM to 5:30 PM..... Poster Setup and Registration**

**5:30 PM to 7:30 PM..... Poster Review, Reception and Networking**

**Saturday, June 28, 2008**

**8:00 AM to 8:30 PM..... Continental Breakfast**

**8:30 AM to 8:40 AM.....Outline and Objectives of the Workshop, and  
Introductions, Ram Rao, NPL, CSREES**

**8:40 AM to 8:50 AM.....Welcome Remarks, Dr. Debby Sheely, Interim Deputy  
Administrator, Competitive Programs, CSREES  
(Invited)**

**8:50 AM to 9:00 AM Welcome Remarks by Ms. Barbara Byrd Keenan,  
Executive Vice President, IFT**

**9:00 AM to 9:30 AM.....Integrated Program in NRI 71.1: Impressions of a PD,  
Rich Hartel, UW, Madison**

**9:30 AM to 10:00 AM...Joint Food Science and Nutrition Integrated Program,  
Impressions of a PD, Bruce Hamaker, Purdue U**

**10AM to 12 Noon..... Poster Viewing-Net working**

**12 noon to 1:00 PM... Box lunch-Networking**

**1:00 PM to 2:30 PM.....Breakout Sessions, Dionne Toombs, NPL and Paularie  
Knox, Program Specialist, CSREES**

**PDs break into three groups with three topics for discussion:**

**PD Meeting- IFT vs. Washington DC and format**

**Integrated and Joint Programs (Merits/suggestions**

**Direction of Science**

**Each group spends about 30 minutes on each topic; selects a recorder and  
Presenter**

**2:30 PM to 3 PM .Group Presentations**

**3:00 PM Adjourn**